

AGN. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

MOTION BY SUPERVISORS DON KNABE & MICHAEL ANTONOVICH      May 25,  
2004

**Amendment to Item 25-A**

As we read the Chief Administrator Officer (CAO) report, the findings indicate that there could potentially be room for changes to the County's billing practices, however, many questions remain to be answered and additional study is required.

We think we should be clear regarding this green sheet motion and what it means. We do not want it to be construed that approval represents a change in Board policy with regard to billing practices. What it should mean is that additional study and potential negotiations with all parties that have a vested interest will occur that could result in recommendations being made to the Board, where legal, regarding changes to Board policy.

The billing model used today has been in place for over 30 years because it is effective, it works, and has been mutually beneficial to both the cities and the County. That is why we think it is important that the message we send is that we are following a very thoughtful and measured process in studying this issue, as it has potential for many unintended outcomes. Therefore, we think we should strike the language in the action items that read with the goal of changing our billing practices for fiscal year 2005-2006, as it may be premature pending the additional study and subsequent recommendations that are required.

WE, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT, the Board clarify the language contained in the first recommendation of the May 20<sup>th</sup> CAO report by striking the words “into the rates charged to cities” and inserting “and make recommendations regarding those costs.”

WE, FURTHER MOVE THAT, the language in the action points of the motion that make reference to the goal of changing our billings practices for fiscal year 2005-2006 be removed from the motion.

WE. FURTHER MOVE THAT, this Board direct, that as part of the quarterly reports to the Board on this issue, that a discussion of potential unintended outcomes, including potential impacts to public safety, be a part of the reporting.

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